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SUBJECT: MONTHLY TRAVEL REPORT NOVEMBER 1983

1. (U-ENTIRE TEXT)

2. SOVIET EMBASSY TRAVEL

REQUESTS 47
AMENDMENTS 2TRAVELLERS
-- EMPLOYEES 100
-- DEPENDENTS 41TIME EXCEPTIONS
-- REQUESTED 1
-- GRANTED 1CLOSED AREA EXCEPTIONS
REQUESTED 2
-- GRANTED 1

NOT REGISTERED 1

ROTN 0

3. ONE CLOSED AREA EXCEPTION WAS GRANTED TO [REDACTED] ENABLING HIM TO ACCEPT A SPEAKING INVITATION AT THE WORLD AFFAIRS COUNCIL OF CLEVELAND. THIS EXCEPTION WAS GRANTED IN RESPONSE TO THE CLOSED AREA EXCEPTION GRANTED [REDACTED] IN OCTOBER ENABLING HIM TO VISIT PSKOV BY AUTO. (NB: CLEVELAND WAS OPENED TO SOVIET TRAVEL A FEW DAYS LATER.) THE SOVIETS ALSO REQUESTED A CLOSED AREA EXCEPTION TO PERMIT A COUNSELOR TO PARTICIPATE IN THE VISIT OF THE SOVIET OLYMPIC COMMITTEE TO LOS ANGELES. THE TRIP WAS SELF-CANCELLED BEFORE THE EXCEPTION WAS GRANTED, HOWEVER. OTHER TRAVEL OF NOTE OUTSIDE THE NORTHEAST INCLUDED A COUNSELOR TO ATLANTA; THE AG ATT AND THE VISITING FOREIGN MINISTER OF THE MOLDAVIAN SSR TO WOODLAND, CALIFORNIA; TWO TRIPS BY AUTO TO CANADA; A TRIP BY ONE TOYER TO SAN FRANCISCO/LOS ANGELES AND ANOTHER TOY PAIR TO SAN FRANCISCO ALONE; A SECOND SECRETARY'S TRIP TO SAN FRANCISCO; A TRADE REP EMPLOYEE'S TRIP TO HOUSTON (NB: THE DAY BEFORE HOUSTON WAS CLOSED); THE IRRIGATION ATTACHE'S TRIP TO OMAHA; AND TWO TRADE REP EMPLOYEES' TRIP TO NEW ORLEANS AND GALVESTON.

4. CONGEN SAN FRANCISCO TRAVEL

REQUESTS 6

AMENDMENTS 2

TRAVELLERS
-- EMPLOYEES 11
-- DEPENDENTS 3TIME EXCEPTIONS
-- REQUESTED 2
-- GRANTED 2CLOSED AREA EXCEPTIONS
REQUESTED 2
-- GRANTED 2

NOT REGISTERED 1

ROTN 0

5. NOVEMBER TRAVEL IN SAN FRANCISCO WAS HIGHLIGHTED BY THE TRAVAILS ASSOCIATED WITH [REDACTED] TRIP TO LOS ANGELES TO PARTICIPATE IN THE VISIT OF THE SOVIET OLYMPIC COMMITTEE. CLOSED AREA EXCEPTIONS WERE

GRANTED IN KEEPING WITH OUR POLICY OF NOT DENYING ACCESS FOR OLYMPIC-RELATED EVENTS IN ACCORDANCE WITH OUR OBLIGATIONS AS HOST GOVERNMENT FOR THE 1984 OLYMPICS. HOWEVER, [REDACTED] DID HIS BEST TO AVOID THE CLUTCHES OF THE OFM SERVICE BUREAU, REFUSING TO MAKE HOTEL ACCOMMODATION REQUEST UNTIL THE LAST MINUTE, AND THEN LEAVING SAN FRANCISCO BEFORE HIS CONFIRMATION AND PRE-PAYMENT VOUCHERS COULD BE DELIVERED. THIS WAS EVENTUALLY WORKED OUT TO EVERYONE'S MUTUAL SATISFACTION. HOWEVER, A NASTY INCIDENT AROSE AT THE END OF THE TRIP WHEN THE ACCOMPANYING TASS CORRESPONDENT LEFT TOWN BEFORE THE WRAP-UP PRESS CONFERENCE GIVEN BY THE LAOOC AND SOVIET OLYMPIC FACTOTUM GRAMOV. AT THE PRESS CONFERENCE, GRAMOV ASSERTED THAT THE TASS CORRESPONDENT WAS NOT PRESENT BECAUSE THE CONFERENCE WAS BEING HELD IN A CLOSED AREA. AIDED BY CONSIDERABLE FUMBLING BY LAOOC OFFICIALS (WHO ALLEGEDLY TOLD THE CORRESPONDENT HE WOULD NEED SPECIAL PERMISSION FROM THE STATE DEPARTMENT TO ATTEND THE PRESS CONFERENCE) A LOT OF PRESS ATTENTION WAS GENERATED. ANOTHER CLOSED AREA EXCEPTION WAS GRANTED TO ENABLE [REDACTED] AND HIS WIFE TO PARTICIPATE IN A THANKSGIVING DINNER AT [REDACTED] HOUSE IN WOODSIDE. (NB: AT THE TIME OF THE INVITATION THE AREA WAS OPEN AND NOTE-FREE, BUT CLOSED BY THE TIME THANKSGIVING ROLLED AROUND.) OTHER SAN FRANCISCO TRAVEL DURING THE MONTH INCLUDED A STOPOVER IN FRESNO EN ROUTE FROM ONE OF SEVERAL TRIPS TO LOS ANGELES.

6. CORRESPONDENTS FILED 14 NOTES FOR 18 EMPLOYEES AND 8 DEPENDENTS. THEY REQUESTED TWO CLOSED AREA EXCEPTIONS TO VISIT CLEVELAND TO COVER THE CPUSA CONVENTION WHICH WERE DENIED. ONE CLOSED AREA EXCEPTION FOR LOS ANGELES WAS GRANTED. (SEE PARA 5 ABOVE.) THE ONLY OTHER DESTINATION OF NOTE WAS CHICAGO. INTOURIST FILED ONE NOTE FOR ONE EMPLOYEE. SHULTZ

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